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From: FOIA, Electronic
Sent: Friday, January 25, 2019 10:57 AM
To: 51164-49134339@requests.muckrock.com
Subject: RE: Freedom of Information Act Request #DOC-OS-2018-000955

Dear Sir/Madame:

I am writing in response to your inquiry below regarding the status of the Department of Commerce FOIA Request DOC-OS-2018-000955.

We are currently in the process of collecting responsive records for this request. As you may know, the Department of Commerce is comprised of many bureaus, and each bureau that might have responsive records has been tasked with conducting its own internal search. When all of these searches have been completed, and the collected records reviewed for responsiveness and privilege and readied for disclosure, we will notify you.

We are not in a position at the moment to estimate any specific timeline for the completion of our response.

We thank you for your patience and are happy to answer any additional questions you may have at any time.

Sincerely,

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Sent: Thursday, January 24, 2019 5:08 PM
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Subject: RE: Freedom of Information Act Request #DOC-OS-2018-000955

Department of Commerce
FOIA Office
14th and Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20230

January 24, 2019

This is a follow up to request number DOC-OS-2018-000955:

To Whom It May Concern:

I wanted to follow up on the following Freedom of Information Act request, copied below, and originally submitted on March 15, 2018. Please let me know when I can expect to receive a response. You had assigned it reference number #DOC-OS-2018-000955.

Thanks for your help, and let me know if further clarification is needed.

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On Oct. 12, 2018:

The FOIA request - DOC-OS-2018-000955 description has been modified. Additional details for this item are as follows:

* Tracking Number: DOC-OS-2018-000955

* Requester: Elijah Kaplan

* Submitted Date: 07/03/2018

* Description: All communications and documents in your possession, of any type whatsoever, regarding the travel expenditures of all agency political appointees confirmed by the Senate from January 20, 2017 to present. The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes.

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On Aug. 29, 2018:

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On March 15, 2018:

To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, I hereby request the following records:

All communications and documents in your possession, of any type whatsoever, regarding the travel expenditures of all agency political appointees confirmed by the Senate from January 20, 2017 to present

The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes.

In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 20 business days, as the statute requires.

Sincerely,

Elijah Kaplan

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